

Testimony re HB05370

Entry level positions are intended to serve as an introduction to the workforce, perhaps a place to get your foot in the door that can provide opportunity to move up in the company through hard work and dedication. Our current company policy to reward good workers with pay level increases – potentially starting a carrier.

If employers are forced to hire at \$15 an hour, it's financially irresponsible to be bringing on these inexperienced workers because they simply aren't able to produce at levels that equal the cost. Rather than learning on the job for low wages, these workers are now going to face unemployment because no employer is going to take on the financial burden. This bill will cause further job losses in an already not stable economy. Connecticut can't afford that!

Thank you,  
Cary Gagnon